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In the Matter )  
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Local Exchange Carriers' Rates, ) CC Docket No. 93-162  
Terms, and Conditions for )  
Expanded Interconnection for )  
Special Access )

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), pursuant to Section 1.46(b) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission),<sup>1</sup> hereby requests an extension of time to file its Rebuttal in this matter. Due to the lengthy oppositions filed to SWBT's Direct Case, SWBT asks that the filing date for its Rebuttal be moved back approximately two weeks to October 15, 1993.

**I. BACKGROUND**

On August 5, 1993, SWBT filed a Motion for Extension of Time, requesting more time to file its Direct Case and Rebuttal than was allotted in the schedule for pleadings in this matter. The Common Carrier Bureau (Bureau) subsequently issued an Order granting one more week for SWBT and other LECs to file their Direct Cases.<sup>2</sup> The Oppositions became due September 20, 1993, with SWBT's Rebuttal to be filed on September 30, 1993.

<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R., Section 1.46(b).

<sup>2</sup> In the Matter of 800 Data Base Access Tariffs and the 800 Service Management System Tariff, CC Docket No. 93-129; In the Matter of Investigation of Special Access Tariffs of Local Exchange Carriers, CC Docket No. 85-166, Phase II, Part 1 and Phase III, Part 1; and In the Matter of Local Exchange Carriers' Rates, Terms, and Conditions for Expanded Interconnection for Special Access, CC Docket No. 93-162, Order (DA 93-876) (released August 5, 1993).

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II. ADDITIONAL TIME IS NECESSARY.

Since the Oppositions were filed on the 20th, they were not effectively received in SWBT's offices in St. Louis until September 21. This schedule results in allowing SWBT only seven business days in which to respond to the many arguments presented. The seven working days allotted to SWBT is an insufficient and unfair amount of time under the circumstances. The present schedule allows SWBT approximately a week to respond to opposing parties that were granted approximately one month to prepare their filings.

Seven parties filed Oppositions on September 20, 1993. The Oppositions contain hundreds of pages of argument and calculations. More time is needed to properly respond to these Oppositions, so as to give the Bureau the benefit of a more complete record. A better record could shorten the deliberation time needed by the Bureau.

Under the Commission's Rules, when a ten-day filing period is established, and the filing is required to be served on other parties by mail, and is in fact served by mail, an additional three days (excluding holidays) is generally allowed for filing the response.<sup>3</sup> While the Bureau ostensibly allotted the LECs ten days in this matter, the extra three days are not available since the Order set a date certain for the Rebuttal. Like the rule, the Bureau should allow additional time in this case.

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<sup>3</sup> 47 C.F.R., Section 1.4(h).

More proper than three days, however, would be an extension of approximately two weeks to respond to the Oppositions, making SWBT's Rebuttal due October 15, 1993. This date will still allow 32 days for the Bureau to analyze the Direct Cases, Oppositions and Rebuttals, and to rule on the LEC tariffs, before the suspension period expires, currently November 16, 1993. The period of 25 days would also more closely compare to the 30 days given to the parties filing Oppositions.

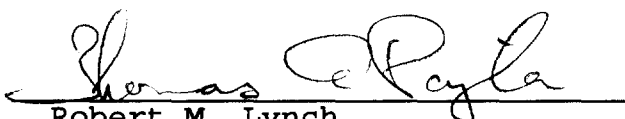
### III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, SWBT respectfully requests that the Commission extend the time for filing its Rebuttal to Oppositions to SWBT's Direct Case until October 15, 1993.

Respectfully submitted,

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